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THE BLACK SPRUCE, It has been but a few years since
people were wondering if there
ever wonld be any dem ever would be any demand for the
great spruce forests of this county and now it
ble timber.
of names in regard to some of ou conifers and the black sprace is in pine by our old time people an spruce, Then came the Northe:
lumbermen and they called yew pine spruce and the apruc hemlock, and after a struggle. righted at last. But there is Ye Mountain to retain the name an mark the fact thet at one time th pine. paper it retains some of its quali ties. A few years ago the honse keeper would not use a newspape for kindling for it would not burn but now any newspaper made o
pulp makes the best of kindling. The pine family is known as th coniferae. To it belongs the ge-
nus pinus and the genus Abies, or fir, and to the firs belong the black spruce (Abies nigra) and the hem
lock spruce (Abies Canadensis, white pine (Pinus strobus,) th old field pine (Pinus Taeda,) an many others.
There is no
pine. The yew is an evergreen tree of the old world generally a English bows, which were mad is eugh.
mon in this section. on northern exposares and grows to an immense size. As
young tree it is handsome, bo dead stumps of the lower branches. It makes poor lumber which soon bark is very valuable for tanning purposes. The color of its foliage cannot be distinguished in color
from the black spruce. The black spruce gives the name to Black Mountain, one of the win
dest regions of Pocahontas Coun ty. That long sombre - hued tance gives some idea of the possispruce is what the botanist calls
"social tree"-it grows in clusters Most of our high mountains ar and we have so many Spru confusion. Spruce tod to good lumber only the boards a the hardeat known to the carpen. ter's plane. It has always been
considerable valuable for the masts and yards of ships.
found a spruce four inches in di found a spruce four inches in dia-
meter and thirty feet bigh which bore a surveyor's mark which had
been put there in 1794 been put there in 1794. grows on an acre of rocky ground almost incredible. Fortunately we have some figures on this point. head waters of Williams River sold to a timber dealer an acre of spruce ured. Off of that acce there was sawed 65,000 feet of lomber, and been atilized by a pulp nuill. When quently sells for $\$ 1$ on the stump of the figures can be realized. APPLE CIDER. The Secretary of Agricultur has completed some very success
ful experiments with cider which the orchards of this country of has been known for a long time
that the dried apples of America were shipped to


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